

The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

Second Sunday of Advent, Year B

10 December 2023

Parish Priest

Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

IN RESIDENCE

Fr Patrick Jackson SAC Brother Lindsay Rust SAC

PARISH STAFF

Shobha Thomas Sue Leong

COORDINATOR
MUSIC & CATECHESIS

Veronica Blair

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tue, Thu & Fri: 10am-2pm

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 11am, 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday: Holy Rosary at 8.50am followed by Mass at 9.15am

RECONCILIATION

Half an hour before all Masses and Saturday 9.45am-10.10am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturday 9.45am -10.15am

Adoration, Rosary & Novena

Wednesday 6.40pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Contact the Parish Office preferably by email

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK Contact the Parish Priest/Office

TONY'S CAFE

Take away meals only
Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm
Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm

VENUE HIRE

Contact the Parish Office

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Margaret Carlei © 9563 6780

☑ office@santglen.catholic.edu.au ☐ santglen.catholic.edu.au

OUR SICK: Justin Thomas, Chrishanthi Pereira, Gemma Lui, Remedios Patawaran, Sonya Delizo, Bev Chandler

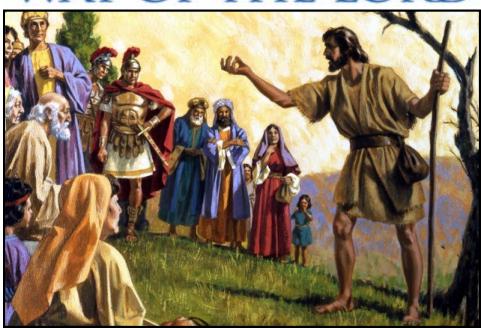
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fernando Santos

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Isobel Holmes, Rick Brumpton, Mabel & Candida Gomez, Jesudass G, Francis Pereira, Giovanna (Nina) Torre.

If you are not already on our email list and would like to subscribe to our free weekly newsletter, please contact the parish office or click on the link below: www.melbcatholic.org/s/subscription?id=0012w00000LOj5DAAT&req=subscribe

PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD





Carols by Candlelight

This Sunday after 5pm Mass at the Padua Pavilion (St Anthony's School Hall, Glen Huntly)

COME ONE N' ALL!

Bring a plate to share if possible!

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. The safety and wellbeing of all persons is our priority. Any feedback in relation to St Anthony's policies & practices for keeping children safe, please email: glenhuntly@cam.org.au.

For more information on Safeguarding please visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding

LITURGY OF THE WORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

TODAY'S READINGS

Is 40:1-5. 9-11; Ps 84:9-14; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Is 61:1-2. 10-11; Lk 1:46-50. 53-54. R. Is 61:10; 1Thess 5:16-24; Jn1:6-8. 19-28

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Church Stewardship \$1,560 Presbytery Stewardship \$932 Maintenance \$985

Please <u>do not</u> leave money in the Parish Letter Boxes.

Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations & Maintenance Income will be reported once a month

Advent Scripture Reflection



"Advent Scripture Reflection" conducted by Fr Pat and Team are held from 7pm to 8pm on Mondays at St. Anthony's Church.

These sessions will have references to the inspiring examples from the life of St Vincent Pallotti. All Welcome!

Christmas Eve Pageant

Prep and Year 1 children are invited to take part in a little play at the Vigil Mass (Carols 6.10pm, Mass 6.30pm).Please contact Veronica Blair to register: veronica.blair@cam.org.au

Christmas and New Year Timetable

Copies of our Christmas and New Year Timetable for **St Anthony's**, **Holy Cross and St Joseph's** parishes are available in the church foyer.

Please take copies for family and friends.

Liturgy Roster Dec 9-10					
Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister		
Sat 6pm	L Pereira	P Bates	R Aranha		
Sun 9am	C Collins	Y Jo-Sumarna	B Meneaud		
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	L Korniadi	A Francis		
Sun 5pm	J Kirkham	E Sebastian	N/A		

Liturgy Roster Dec 16-17					
Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister		
Sat 6pm	P Bates	S Pfleger	J Aranha		
Sun 9am	Y Jo-Sumarna	C Collins	R Meneaud		
Sun 11am	J Wong	L Shelton	TBC		
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	N/A		

Tony's Café

Our last meal at Tony's Café will be Thursday 14 December 2023.

We will re-open on Tuesday 6 February 2024.

A BIG THANK YOU to all the faithful and dedicated volunteers!

St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Hampers



St Vincent de Paul Society Glenhuntly is organising Christmas Hampers (non perishable items) for 51 families in this local area.

Donation can be left in the St Vincent de Paul box in the front of the church foyer. Contact Larraine 0433 217 428

Melbourne Overseas Mission Collection this Weekend



Melbourne Overseas Missions (MOM)
provides assistance to developing countries with
a commitment to the poor with strong objectives
to encourage self-help, self-reliance, and enhance
gender equality.

Musicians/Singers wanted for Christmas Masses



We are looking for more voices and instruments. If you would like to play/sing we'd love to see you for practice in the church on Wednesday evenings at 7.30p.



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Christmas Timetable 2023 St Anthony's, Holy Cross & St Joseph's Parishes Reconciliation St Anthony's (2nd Rite) Tuesday 19 December 7.00pm St Joseph's (1st Rite) Saturday 23 December 5.30pm Christmas Eve, Sunday 24 December St Joseph's Carols 6.00pm, Mass 6.30pm St Anthony's Carols 6.10pm, Mass 6.30pm Holy Cross Carols 8.30pm, Mass 9.00pm Christmas Midnight, Sunday 24 December Carols 11.40pm, Mass 12.00am St Anthony's Christmas Day, Monday 25 December Holy Cross 9.00am St Anthony's 9.00am, 11.00am St Joseph's 10.30am New Year's Eve, Sunday 31 December 11.00pm St Anthony's New Year's Day, Monday 1 January Holy Cross 9.00am St Anthony's 9.15am St Joseph's 10.30am

Youth Meeting for our Parishes

Tue 12 Dec at 7pm: Parish Hall, Holy Cross Church, 707 Glen Huntly Rd, Caulfield South

For all young people of secondary school age to 25 years, and all interested in mentoring and helping them.

The meeting will be guided by Emma Bakker, Youth Discipleship Specialist from the Proclaim Office of the Archdiocese.

Parents of those under 18yrs will need to sign-in and sign-out for them.

We will discuss:

- How to establish a formal Youth Group
 - Possible programs and ministries
- Where the Youth Ministry will fit into our parishes' renewal program
 - Need for Safeguarding compliance
 - Responsibilities of Mentors for the Youth Group.

Stars in the Church

Make your own stars to welcome Jesus. Hang them on the walls of the church with Blu-Tac.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser at Bunnings, Chadstone 3rd December 2023 for Church Maintenance Income by EFT 711.00 \$ 349.55 Income in cash 70.45 Donation in cash Total Income 1,131.00 Expenses Sausage, onions, drinks, ice, sauces, bread etc 260.50 871.00 Surplus A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED, MUCH APPRECIATED

St Anthony's, Glen Huntly: Cnr Neerim & Grange Road St Joseph's, Elsternwick: 71 Orrong Road

Holy Cross, Caulfield South: 707 Glen Huntly Road

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St Anthony's School Dates to Note

Carols Night: Monday 11 Dec.

5.30pm BBQ sausage sizzle available or BYO dinner followed by Carols at 6.30pm **Year End Mass: Friday 15 Dec.** 9.15am

followed by Leaders Ceremony

St Anthony's Glen Huntly Christmas Day Takeaway Dinner 2023

Christmas is a time when families come together to celebrate the Birth of Christ.

Sometimes this can be difficult, especially due to a rise in COVID cases. As a result, we will be offering a traditional Christmas Day TAKEAWAY Dinner, available for collection at St Anthony's Hall between 12pm and 1.30pm on Christmas Day. Or, if you live locally and are not able to come and collect a meal, we are happy to deliver to you at home.

If you would like to enjoy a delicious meal, please fill out a **yellow** invitation. If you know someone else who would like a meal, pass this invitation on to them. If you would like to help with the Christmas Dinner, please fill out a **green** form.

Both **yellow** and **green** forms can be collected from the doors of the church, or at St Anthony's Parish Hall, 164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East or at the front door of the Parish House, 74 Grange Road.

All completed forms can be returned via email: stanthony.christmasdinner@gmail.com or left at the following locations:

Tony's Café at St Anthony's Hall: 164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East. Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm and Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm
St Anthony's Parish House: 74 Grange Rd, Glen Huntly
(in an envelope marked *Christmas Dinner*).
For more information please contact us on 9401 6336 or 0432 087 494





2nd Sunday of Advent, Year B

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His paths. These words of Isaiah foretold the message and mission of John the Baptist. This call to prepare the way of the Lord and to make



straight His paths was urgent and is still urgent. God came in the Person of His Son, the Word become flesh. This is what we celebrate at Christmas. He still comes today. The Lord invites us to receive Him and His gift of salvation. God invites us to accept His Son into our

lives, to be His disciples in the world today.

What does it mean to *make straight His paths*? There are so many *crooked* paths into which we are tempted to walk. We can get off track in our Christian lives, falling into sin, walking along roads that deviate from our faith. There are many temptations to stray

from the path of the Lord and to get lost along the way, to stray from the Gospel. During Advent, it is good to make straight the path of the Lord in our hearts by examining our lives, clearing the way for the Lord to act in us with His grace. It is important to look at our lives and to see where our choices and actions have not been in harmony with the Gospel. The sacrament of Penance is a great way for all of us to heed the call of John the Baptist to repentance and conversion.

Make your Confessions before Christmas!

Parish Events	Where	When
Choir Practice	St Anthony's Church	On Wednesdays at 7.30pm
Sunday School	Parish House/The Glen 74 Grange Rd, Carnegie	School Term. Date for 2024 to be confirmed.
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church & School	School Term, every Sunday at 11am Mass
Improve or Learn English	Parish Hall (164 Neerim Rd)	Every Tuesday 10.30am—12.30pm
St Anthony's Playgroup	St Anthony's School	School Term, every Wednesday 9—10.30am
St Anthony's School Enrolments	St Anthony's School	Contact 9563 6780
Tony's Café	Parish Hall (164 Neerim Rd)	Take away meals only Finishes 14 Dec 2023 & resumes 6 Feb 2024
Al-Anon	The Glen (behind Parish House)	Tuesdays 7—9.30pm
Legion of Mary	St Anthony's Church	Every Friday after 9.15am Mass
St Vincent de Paul	The Glen (behind Parish House)	Finishes 15 Dec 2023 & resumes 15 Jan 2024
Sacre Coeur Prayer Group	The Glen (behind Parish House)	Finishes 15 Dec 2023 & resumes 2 Feb 2024
Baptism Preparation	St Anthony's Church	Every 2nd Friday of the month at 7pm. Email/Contact the Parish Office

If I were a Millionaire

Teacher asked her students, "Imagine you are a millionaire, and write an essay with the title "If I were a Millionaire."



Everyone, except little Johnny, began to write with much enthusiasm, while Johnny just leaned back in his chair, folded his arms and began to relax.

"What's the matter" the teacher asked Johnny. "Why don't you write the essay?"

Johnny replied "I'm a millionaire, and I have all these secretaries doing the writing for me".